

## Recreational Opportunities

Wildlife Viewing – Fishing – Hiking – Hunting  
– Outdoor Photography

*Conservation Areas are open from 4:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.; hunting, fishing, trapping, camping, dog training, launching and landing boats allowed 24 hours a day on areas where these activities are permitted.*

- Group or special activities may require a Special Use Permit. Contact Area Manager for further information.
- Guiding for pay is prohibited.
- Use of fireworks is prohibited.
- Nuts, berries, fruits, edible wild greens and mushrooms may be taken only for personal consumption. Digging of roots is prohibited.
- No bicycling or horseback riding opportunities except on public roadways.
- Camping is allowed on or adjacent to all area parking lots. No unattended open campfires allowed. No amenities are provided. Groups of 10 campers or more must obtain a special use permit. Stays are limited to 14 consecutive days in a 30-day period. Quiet hours are from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.
- Walk-in/backpack camping is allowed **EXCEPT** during firearms deer and turkey seasons. No amenities are provided.
- Field trials prohibited.
- Pets and hunting dogs are permitted but must be on a leash or confined at all times. Hunting dogs may be used off the leash and unconfined for hunting and training purposes.
- Target shooting is not allowed.

## Fishing and Boating

*Fishing is permitted under statewide regulations. The following special regulations also apply.*

- On lakes and ponds fish may be taken only with pole and line and not more than three (3) poles may be used by one (1) person at any time.
- On lakes and ponds, all largemouth bass between 12 and 15 inches in total length must be returned to the water unharmed immediately after being caught. Daily limits on lakes and ponds are six black bass, four

catfish, and 30 crappie. Total number of all other fish may not exceed 20.

- Seining or trapping live bait, including tadpoles, is permitted in designated lakes and ponds.
- Only electric motors are permitted in lakes and ponds.

## Hunting and Trapping

*Area is open to statewide regulations. The following special regulations also apply.*

- Deer and turkey regulations are subject to annual changes. Please refer to the Spring Turkey or Fall Deer and Turkey Pamphlets for current regulations.
- Only portable stands are allowed from September 1 through January 31. Unattended stands must be plainly labeled on a durable material with the full name and address or Conservation number of the owner and be removed from the area by February 1st. Use of nails, screw-in steps, and any material or method that would damage the tree is prohibited.
- Decoys and blinds are permitted but must be disassembled and removed daily. Blinds may be constructed on-site only from willows and non-woody vegetation.
- Trapping of furbearers allowed only with special use permit. Contact area manager.
- Trail and game cameras are prohibited.

### For local information, contact:

Missouri Department of Conservation  
Kirksville, MO 63501  
(660) 785-2420

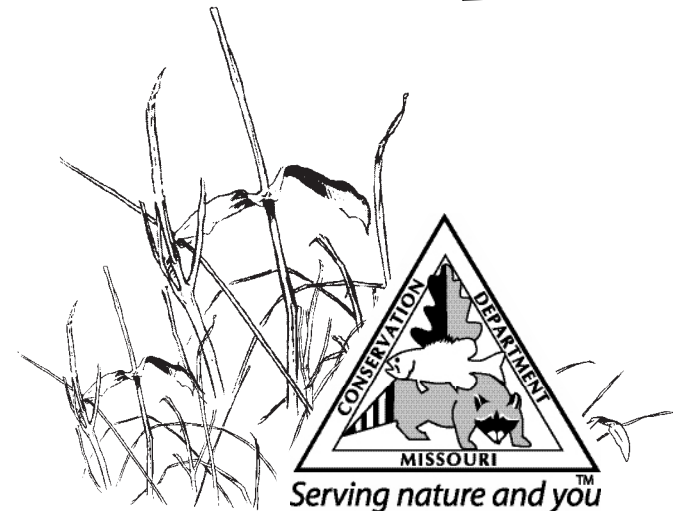
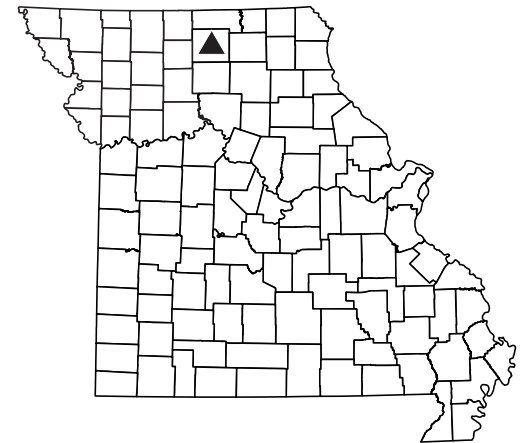
*Additional area information is posted on bulletin boards located in parking areas and area offices. Regulations are from the Wildlife Code of Missouri and selected statutes of the State of Missouri.*

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# Locust Creek

## CONSERVATION AREA



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